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Arcanum neq; tu ſcrutaberis illius unquam. Hor.

SIR,

THERE is a Sort of Misbehaviour which I do not remember to have ever ſeen the Subject of publick Satyr, I mean the Manner certain People have of asking a Multitude of impertinent Queſtions, ſome of which ought not to be anſwer'd, and others to which they do not really want an Anſwer. To ask trifling Queſtions meerly for Talk ſake, is at leaſt to be very troubleſome: But to examine minutely into a Man's private Affairs, or even his Opinions; to inſiſt particularly on that Queſtion which ſeems to ſhock or diſturb him, is inexcuſable Rudeneſs. When you demand ſomething of your Friend which you have no Right to know, and which he ought not to diſcover; if you will have an Anſwer, you oblige him to wound either his Prudence or his Sincerity; you compel him to diſcloſe ſomething he ſhould conceal, or ſay ſomething which is not true; and you render your ſelf at the ſame time extreamly diſagreeable. The Curioſity of a well-bred Man, is never too ſtrong for his Good Manners.

The trifling Queſtioners, who do not ask any thing for the ſake of Information, but only for want of Diſcourſe, are very apt to become the Laughter of their Company, from the meer natural Incoherence and Nonſence of their Enquiries. This was the Caſe of the young Lady, who being for the firſt Time at a Chriſtning, and willing to have ſome Share of the Converſation, ask'd the good Woman who ſat next her, *Pray Madam, had your Mother ever any Children?* L--d! yes, *ſays ſhe*, or how ſhould I be here! *I ask Pardon, Madam*, reply'd the Lady, full of Confuſion, *I meant your Grandmother.*

But of all the impertinent Querists I have ever known, none are equal to Mr. *Facheux* of this City. He ſhall ask you fifty Queſtions in five Minutes of time: He does not leave the leaſt Vacancy in the Diſcourſe: If he is at any Loſs for a new one, he repeats an old Queſtion twice or thrice, and ſeems as if he had not heard above half your Anſwers. I was the other Day on a Viſit to an old Acquaintance, and we were converſing very agreeably, when we heard *Facheux* at the Door. My Friend had been tormented by him ſeveral times before; his Stock of Patience was already expended; he trembled when he heard him coming, and turn'd pale aſſoon as he entred; he could ſcarce compoſe himſelf ſo as to receive the firſt Salutation with Temper. *Facheux* walks round the Room, and picks up and looks into every Book, Paper, or Letter that lay in his Way, and had ſomething to ask about every thing.---- But I cannot deſcribe this Converſation; I muſt give you a Specimen of it. *Facheux* begins: *Neighbour, how does thee do?* My Friend anſwers, I am well I thank you. *What does the Bell ring for?* They are about to ſwear ſome Palatines. *Where do all theſe Palatines come from?* From the Palatinate. *Where is that?* 'Tis in Germany. [*Takes up a Book and turns it over.*] *What Book is this?* Look in the Title Page. *What is it about?* 'Tis a Dictionary. *Is it a Play-Book?* 'Tis a Dictionary. *Is it about the French Prophets?* No, 'tis a Dictionary. *It looks like a Playbook, for here are ſeveral Perſons named.* [Takes up a Letter and looks it over.] *Did this Letter come to thee?* Yes. *Where does it come from?* You may ſee at the Top. *Who ſent it?* You ſee his Name is at the Bottom. *What is he?* He is a Presbyterian Miniſter. *What Religion art thee?* Hmm. *What Religion art thee?* I am a Presbyterian. *Does thee believe the Doctrine of Predeſtination?* Yes. *'Tis a damnable Doctrine.* 'Tis true. *What does the Bell ring for?* They are going to ſwear ſome Palatines. *What Religion is thy Father?* He is a Presbyterian. *Where does he live?* He lives in Scotland. *Is thy Mother a Presbyterian?* Yes. *Does thy Father write to thee ſometimes?* Yes. *How many Children has he?* Yes. *What does the Bell ring for?* I have told you twice already. *Is thy Father living?* Yes, and be d---- t'ye, how elſe ſhould he write to me. [*Kicks him down Stairs.*]

That is, he ought to have kick'd him down Stairs.

Mr. *Facheux* is otherways a very good ſort of Man, and if the Publication of this may have any Tendency towards curing him of that unhappy Habit which renders him almoſt deteſtable, he, as well as all his Neighbours, will be much oblig'd to you, as well as to

Your and his humble Servant

BIRCH.

Edinburgh, June 22. Yeſterday was condemned in the Exchecquer, a Ships Loading of Wheat and Flower, imported lately contrary to Law from Pennſylvania to Kirkudbright, and ſeiz'd by the Collector of the Cuſtoms at that Port.

Dublin, June 20. This Day the Mate of a Veſſel applying himſelf to his Sweetheart for her Conſent, but receiving a cruel and unexpected Reply, ſtabbed himſelf in her Preſence, with his Penknife in the left Breaſt: She immediately put her Hand to the Wound, to ſtop the Effuſion of Blood, till a Surgeon came to dreſs it: His Recovery is uncertain, which makes her inconſolable; but hopes that all thoſe who are addreſſed on a like Occaſion, may learn from her Example, to give a more favourable Anſwer.

On Sunday Morning laſt a deſperate Skirmiſh happened in St. Francis Street, between a parcel of miſchievous Fellows, and the Watch, in which the latter were entirely routed, tho' many Heads were broken on both Sides.

London, July 11. They write from Paris that 'tis the general Opinion of People there, that the King of Spain's Views are more Catholick than to terminate in the Conqueſt of Oran, tho' that be the Place for opening the Scene. They likewiſe tell us of a great Proviſion of Crutches and wooden Legs that were put on board the Fleet, which among all other warlike Stores is what we moſt rarely hear of. Indeed they have been little wanted in ſeveral late Expeditions in Europe. However, this it muſt be own'd carries the Face of Buſineſs.

From Muſcovy we are adviſed, that the Czarina is putting her Military Affairs upon a better Foot than ever. Her Army conſiſts at preſent of about 230,000 Men, over which her Majeſty has appointed four Inſpector Generals, who have each of them their reſpective Diſtricts, and therein the Regulation of all the Forces, Guards, Garriſons, Fortreſſes,

treſſes, Ordnance, Stores, and in ſhort all things relating to War. One of theſe great Officers is a Scottiſh Gentleman, and a Major General, a Perſon greatly in Favour, and admired by all; Mr. James Keith.

London, July 18. The Beake Galley, which is arrived in the River, in her Paſſage from Leghorn put into Cadiz, from whence ſhe came on Thurſday the 29th ult. While ſhe lay there a Spaniſh Man of War arrived from Oran, with Advice of the Spaniards having made themſelves Maſters of that Town and the Forts thereto belonging, with the Loſs (as they gave out) but of 800 Men; but Perſons on board the Man of War had own'd in Converſation, that the Number of Slain amounted to about 4000, two entire Regiments, one Iriſh and the other French, with a Major General, having been cut off by an Ambuſcade, laid by the Moors; which Loſs they aſcribed to falſe Intelligence received from the French Conſul, of the Town being deſerted. The Moors are ſaid to have loſt 7000 Men.

London, July 8. A Magnificent Chair of State, of Silver gilt with Gold, for the Throne of the Empreſs of Ruſſia, is juſt finiſhed, by Mr. Cowſe, a German Artiſt, and ſo richly chaſed, that the Workmanſhip is not much leſs expenſive than the Silver, which amounts to 1900 Ounces. On the Top of the Chair is an Imperial Crown, and on the back Part a ſpread Eagle holding a Scepter and other Emblems.

A few Days ago, a curious Tyger, brought from Buenos Ayres, was preſented by the Captain of the Eaton Galley, to the Duke of Richmond.

Newport, Rh. Iſland, Sept. 17. Lewis Souir, Commander of the Sloop Endeavour, from Spaniſh Town, on the Virgin Guad, reports, that he ſaw the firſt of this Inſtant from ſaid Iſland, Thirty-five large Ships, ſuppoſed to be of Force, ſtanding for Porto Rico; and that the next Day he ſailed from thence (after an Embargo of 24 Hours) when he likewiſe ſaw two Ships, one very large, ſuppos'd to be 70 or 80 Guns, ſteering the ſame Courſe, which put the Iſland in an Alarm, and the Governor of ſaid Iſland ſent an Account of it to St. Kits.

Boſton, Octob. 2. This Town was ſcarce ever ſo univerſally afflicted with Colds as at this Time, which made our Aſſemblies yeſterday appear very thin, there being ſcarce Voices enough left to carry on the publick Singing. We hear that the ſame prevails throughout the Country, eſpecially in the Towns to the Eaſtward.

Cuſtom-Houſe, New-York, Octob. 9. *Entred Inwards.* None. *Outward Entries*, Sanders for Newfoundland. *Cleared*, Molleſton to Lewis on Delaware.

Cuſtom-Houſe, Philadelphia, Entred inwards.

Ship Pleaſant, James Morris, from Deal.
Brigt. Philadelphia Hope, George Spafford, from Jamaica.
Ship John & Eliz. George Stanes, from Milford.
Ship Ann & Johanna, William Hillier, from Jamaica.
Ship Norris, Thomas Loyd, from Barbadoes.
Sloop Humbird, Shadrach Keeſe, from N. Carolina.
Sloop John & William, Conſtable Tymperton, from Dover.
Sloop Eliz. & Dorothy, John Reeve, from Barbadoes.
Sloop Dove, Henry Davis, from South Carolina.

Entred Outwards.

Ship Sizargh, Nathan Cowman, for Briſtol.
Ship Theris, John Denniſtone, for Lisbon.
Sloop Trueman, John Cox, for Jamaica.
Ship Phenix, Chriſtian Dunn, for Dublin.
Brigt. London Hope, James Howel, for Ditto.
Ship Loyal Judith, Robert Turpin, for Maryland.
Ship Debby Galley, John Green, for Weſt Indies.
Brigt. John, Anthony Peele, for Barbadoes.

Cleared.

Sloop Speedwell, Thomas Nibbs, to Antigua.
Brigt. Unity, Abel Cane, to Briſtol.

PHILADELPHIA, *Octob.* 19.

Sunday laſt arrived here Capt. Tymberton, in 17 Weeks from Rotterdam, with 220 Palatines, 44 died in the Paſſage. About 3 Weeks ago, the Paſſengers, diſſatisfied with the length of the Voyage, were ſo imprudent as to make a Mutiny, and being the ſtronger Party have ever ſince had the Government of the Veſſel, giving Orders from among themſelves to the Captain and Sailors, who were threatned with Death in caſe of Diſobedeience. Thus having Sight of Land, they carried the Veſſel twice backwards and forwards between our Capes and Virginia, looking for a Place to go aſhore they knew not where. At length they compell'd the Sailors to caſt Anchor near Cape May, and 8 of them took the Boat by Force and went aſhore; from whence they have been five Days coming up by Land to this Place, where they found the Ship arriv'd. Thoſe concern'd in taking the Boat are committed to Priſon.

It may be of uſe to mention this circumſtance relating to the Death of J. Shallcroſs, kill'd in endeavouring to ſtop his Team, (as related in our laſt) *viz.* That the Horſes were ſet a running by ſome frolickſome People unknown, who riding by, ſnapp'd their Whips ſeveral Times for that purpoſe, tho' intreated to the contrary by the Driver. 'Tis hoped, that they, as well as others, will avoid ſuch fooliſh miſchievous Practices for the future.

Buried in the ſeveral Burying-Grounds of this City in a Week paſt.

Church	2.	Baptiſts	0.
Quakers	2.	Strangers, Whites	6.
Presbyterians	0.	Strangers, Blacks	1.

Advertiſements.

RUN away on Octob. 2. *from* John Parry, *of Tredyffryn in Cheſter County, a Servant Man named* Humphrey Reynolds, *aged about* 22 *Years, an Engliſhman, ſhort and well ſet, ſtrait blackiſh Hair, fair Complexion, thown Locks, and ſtews his Teeth much when he ſpeaks, and waddles as he walks. He had on when he went away, an old Leather Jacket lined with blue with Braſs Buttons, an old ſtriped Jacket, an old Felt Hat, a new homeſpun Shirt, leather Breeches with braſs Buttons, yarn Stockins and old Shoes. Whoever ſecures the ſaid Servant, ſo that his Maſter may have him again, ſhall have* Forty Shillings *Reward, and reaſonable Charges paid, by*
John Parry.

TO be ſold very cheap by Edward Walbank, *at his Stores under* W. Fishbourn's *new Houſe, the lower End of Waterſtreet: Striped & plain Calimancoes, coloured & white Sarſnets, Perſians, Taffaties, Sattins, broad & narrow Mantuas; ſilk, thread, and woollen Stockins; Caps, felt & caſtor Hats, Shirting & ſtriped Hollands, Muſlins, Cambrics & Lawns, fineſt & middling Boulting Cloths, Caſes of Bottles, black Pepper, Muſcovado Sugar in Barrels & Tearces, 4 d. 10 d. & 20 d Nails, Ironmongery & Cutlery Ware, fine Piſtol Powder, Cordage of divers Sizes, with ſeveral other ſorts of Goods, moſt of which were lately imported. And whereas the ſaid* Walbank *is ingaged to go for the Weſt Indies in Six Weeks at furtheſt, all Perſons, to whom he is indebted are deſired to bring in their Accounts for Payment, and all Perſons indebted to him are deſired ſpeedily to pay the ſame.*

ALL Perſons indebted to Thomas Pattiſon of Darby, *are deſired to pay the ſame forthwith, in order to enable him to ſatisfy his Creditors.*

LAtely taken up by Anthony Wright *near* Briſtol, *a large roan Mare, branded thus* M *The Owner is deſired to come and make his Right appear, pay the Charges, and fetch her away.*

THE great Houſe at the North End of the Town, is to be ſold, or let for a Term of Years, with Gardens and Orchard, and about 25 *Acres of Land, and about ſix or ſeven Acres of Meadow. Whoever is inclined to purchaſe or hire, may agree for the whole or any Part, with* Daniel Pegg.

RUN away from Ralph Sandiford, *a Servant Man named* John King, *ſometimes he writes his Name* John Landman King, *he is marked with* I K *on one of his Thumbs with Gunpowder; he is a Weaver by Trade, ſhort in Stature, but fat and well ſet, and when he moves his Mouth he has a Dimple in his Cheek, he has ſhort curled black Hair, and had on an ozenbrigs Shirt Veſt and Breeches, and a brown Coat. He is a* Devonſhire *Man, and has taken with him a grey Mare marked with a halfpenny cut on the left Ear, alſo a Silver Spoon marked* C. H. *Whoever ſecures the ſaid Servant, ſo that he may be had again, ſhall have* Forty Shillings *Reward and reaſonable Charges paid, by*
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